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The next annual meeting will be held with the First Baptist Church, Hamlet, N. C., beginning Tuesday evening after the second Sunday in November, 1914.

## The Budget Plan.

We have planned to raise Ten Thousand Dollars for the work during this conventional year to be used as follows: For Home and State Missions, $2,000; for Foreign Missions, $2,000; for Ministerial Education, $5,000; for Church Edifice Fund, $500; and for Superannuated Ministers, $500.

We suggest that an after collection be taken at each regular service, in order to meet promptly the quarterly

remittances. Ask each member to give one penny in the collection, The amount is small, but think what a sum it will be when brought together. One hundred and seventy-five thousand members, paying one cent a month, would give us monthly $1,750; or $21,000 a year. We can raise this amount without much trouble, if each pastor will do his duty. May we depend upon you to help us? In order to have some reliable system about our collections, we urge that remittance be made quarterly, however small the amount may be.

Again, to interest the people, the pastors must be reached. The people seldom go ahead of their pastor. The people look to their leaders for instruction and advice. If the leaders fail, the work must also fail.

In the name of our common Lord, for the sake of suffering humanity, and for the advancement of our great denomination, I beg your fraternal assistance in this great work. Let me hear from you regularly.

Yours for Baptist progress,

C. S. Brown,
Corresponding Secretary.

of choice, but by reason of heavy travel and traffic and irregular schedules and bad connections of trains, etc. He urged the brethren to be of one mind, to lose sight of self and get in harmony with God. "God expects us," said he, "to labor with Him." "We deem ourselves very fortunate," continued he, "to meet in this beautiful church edifice, erected by this faithful people under the direction of their pastor, Rev. J. H. Martin, who will now bid you welcome to the same.

Pastor Martin said:

### Welcome Address

Mr. President, Officers, and Members of the Baptist Missionary and Educational Convention of North Carolina—Greeting:

From time immemorial it has been the custom for all gatherings of whatsoever kind on entering a city, community, or church, to wait at the border line of such a province and have those in authority to open the doors and bid them come in--and that is as it should be, for home is too sacred to have these safe guards taken down.

Who would dare cross the thresh-hold of so sacred a precinct without being first made welcome by those in charge? And in obedience to this time honored custom I appear before you tonight to welcome you to this church and vicinity. To you my brothers and sisters as pastor of this church I open its doors to you for the next six days.

In the name of more than six hundred loyal Baptists and their friends who have been looking for you with anxious hearts and longing eyes, I make you welcome.

About two years ago on this spot stood St. James No. 1, but the members decided that the house of God was too common, while they were living in good homes, and thus we began to plan St. James No. 2. And as a realization of our hopes you see this beautiful sanctuary here erected to the glory of God. We have not always had the full co-operation of the membership but with confidence in God we have forged ahead and the Lord has blessed us in all our undertakings.

And now, Brother President, I welcome you--first, because of the unity of the brotherhood, such as will not suffer the work to fail for lack of interest. I welcome you —second, because you stand for education, not only of the

ministry but of the laity as well. You are doing a grand and noble work in this direction. In the great commission we are told to go into all the world and preach the gospel, and teach them, and this you are doing--educating them to serve intelligently. I welcome you, thirdly--because you stand for missions. Your purpose is to send the gospel into all the world, and my brethren you can do no greater work than send the good news to all lands. When I think of those self sacrificing men and women who are giving their lives for the redemption of Africa, my heart burns within me and I am made to cry "woe is me if I fail to lay hold of this great Convention and help to save bleeding Africa, the home of my father, and my brethren." And when the corresponding secretary wrote me and asked me to take the convention I said yes, let it come, it is ours, it belongs to the more than two hundred thousand Baptists of the State. Fourth--I welcome you because you represent some of the best men and women in the world. I would rather belong to this Convention than to be President of Mexico, because I believe you will respect each others rights.

Now, Mr. President, and Delegates, be at home. I open the doors to you--come in and be at home. I welcome you to the church, to the Committee rooms, and to the Pastor's study, and to our homes, and may your stay here be so pleasant that when you leave you may have pleasant memories of this Convention and the good people of Rocky Mount.

In the name of the church and people, and in the name of the cause we love, in the name of the souls of men, and in the name of God, I make you welcome, yea welcome."

At the conclusion of the cordial welcome address by the Convention's host, the President, with appropriate remarks, introduced to the Convention His Honor Mayor L. F. Tillery, who, in turn, presented Mr. T. H. Battle, who welcomed the Convention on the part of the city of Rocky Mount. The address of Mr. Battle was cordial, and ladened with wholesome thought, and clothed in beautiful English.

At the conclusion of the admirable address of Mr. Battle, Miss Annie Malone rendered a touching solo.

The Convention was next welcomed to the city of Rocky Mounty on the part of the business and professional men, by Dr. P. W. Burnette. His address was much enjoyed.

Mr. C. C. McIntyre welcomed the Convention to the

city on behalf of the Sunday Schools of Rocky Mount.

Dr. W. T. Coleman responded to the address of welcome on behalf of the Convention. He said:

MR. PRESIDENT, MEMBERS OF THE CONVENTION AND FRIENDS:

Napoleon Bonaparte, the great Frenchman, when first he and his soldiers gazed upon the pyramids of Egypt, one of the seven wonders of the world, as they bathed their heads in the clouds, he said to his soldiers: "Men, forty centuries look down upon you!"

Likewise, I say, while I gaze upon the Gospel Banner: "Men, nearly twenty centuries look down upon you."

Truly, this is an age of revolution and evolution! Age of progress, and conquest! We catch the lightning and drive it to our chariots: speak to our friends—though not seen—in some distant city; tell the outside world a *Titanic* is sinking in mid-ocean, or a volcano is afire.

This is the electric age in material things. Men have become great captains of industry. Men have become birds and fly in the air. All of this progress is being made by the world. We naturally ask ourselves the question: Is the Church keeping pace with the times? While in many places too many of us are praying the same prayer our fathers' prayed, whether we need what they needed or not, and preaching the same thing every time, regardless of the condition. Yet wonderful progress has been made by the Christian soldiers.

The day is passed when sound is substituted for thought, and perspiration for inspiration. Men of other years were judged by what they said, but now they are judged by what they do. There are men and women who have enlisted into this army who don't count their lives dear to them, but gladly lay their lives upon the altar, that the Master's cause might go marching on. The Gospel is now being preached everywhere; the flag of civilization is unfurled. Soldiers may fall out of the ranks, but God has recruiting stations all over the world. True, some have come for the glory they can get out of it, but there are thousands who have never bowed their knees to Baal. There are many who see giants in the land, yet there are many others like Caleb and Joshua, who say we are able to possess the land. There are many whose lips are sealed against sin in high places, but there are others whose lips have been touched like Isaiah, with a live coal from God's burning altar.

There are many whose lips are sealed to the truth, when some David, by his position, takes the advantage of a Uriah, and a Herod takes his brother's wife, but there are still abroad those fearless men like Nathan, who told David he was the man, and a John the Baptist, who told Herod it was wrong to take his brother Philip's wife. God taught man a long time ago, even in the time of good of Samuel, when he was trying to press upon the sons of Jessee that men looked upon the outward appearance, while God looked upon the heart.

Our brethren have long ago learned that eating, drinking, and dressing are not all to this life. Outward show alone can't pass muster with God. So, men of the cloth, nothing can atone for empty heads and hearts. God settled it with Moses in his day, that he didn't want lip service. You remember Moses' excuse for not doing what God wanted him to do: He claimed he could not talk plain—was not a good talker. But God took away that excuse by making Aaron his spokesman. Hundreds of us now believe in lip service. If talk would build a railroad, the negro church members would have built a grand trunk line from here to heaven, long ago.

Mr. President, we accept this welcome, not because we are talkers, alone, but deep down in our heart of hearts, we feel ourselves integral parts of God's great army, moving in one solid phalanx against the common enemy. We are not only hearers of the Word, but doers as well. We have come up from our fields where we have been in personal contact with the devil, and forces of hell, battle-scarred, but to stay in the field 'till the Great Commander of the blood-washed army shall give the signal to "stop firing." We are mountain-climbers. Those who live upon the mountains see the sun longer than those who live in the valley. Their horizon is broader. When I was in Paris, France, some years ago, I ascended the Eifel Tower. I looked away in the distance and beheld the beautiful mountains of Switzerland, while those down upon the ground, limited by the high buildings of the city, had not this privilege. Again, while I was up there it was raining below me, while I was in the midst of a beautiful sunshine. So it is with us who have climbed into this high tower: Our spiritual horizon is broadened, and we behold mountains of God's love and mercy, and are basking in his sunshine, while others are in the drenching rain below from a polluted sky, shut out from the beauties

of the spiritual world. We are helping others, thereby helping ourselves. There is a story told of a man climbing the Alps, and was nearly frozen to death himself, but before he gave up the struggle for life he stumbled over something that afterwards proved to be a man, nearly frozen to death, and had given up the struggle. He stopped, nearly exhausted as he was, and rubbed the man, thus starting up the circulation. By so doing he warmed up himself. The story goes that he saved the man, and thereby saved himself.

There are a very few of us who have not at some time stumbled upon some fellow down, when we were nearly down ourselves, but, like the man upon the Alps, we commenced rubbing our frozen brother, and thereby sent the blood bounding through our own bodies. We receive by giving. We live by dying. We have been a gazing stock to the world, yet the cross triumps. It triumphs in spite of Judases. There are some who are unfaithful to their trust, but those who are for us are more than those against us.

We accept this welcome, because it comes from those who have also consecrated their lives for and dedicated themselves anew to the Master's cause, men and women who count themselves happy to suffer for Christ, who don't mind honoring God with their substance. It comes from those who have thrown themselves into the breech, hearts afire, which have been touched with the finger of God's love; who have forsaken the glittering promises of the world, to follow the lowly Nazarene, who declared he had not where to lay his head.

We know you sincerely. Let us thank you for these open doors and cozy homes, for the preparations you have made, and most of all, for these sunny lives and open hearts.

Prof. W. S. Creecy also responded in an able and eloquent manner to the addresses of welcome.

The welcome addresses and responses being concluded, the President submitted some apropos remarks and the Corresponding Secretary made some announcements. The Convention then stood adjourned with the benediction by Rev. T. Parker.

## WEDNESDAY—FORENOON.

Praise services were appropriately conducted by Revs.

I. M. Powers and M. G. Crumpler, other brethen entering most heartily into the service with song, Scriptural quotation and prayer, which were helpful and inspiring to all present.

Vice-President Moore called the Convention to order. The minutes of the first session were read and approved. Following the enrollment of minister and messengers various committees were announced. At this juncture a resolution was read by Dr. A. B. Vincent, which, without discussion, was referred to Committee on Resolutions.

After addressing some thoughtful and timely remarks to the Convention the President stated that the brethren would devote some time to what might be called jubilee ceremonies. Prayer was offered by Rev. J. M. Taylor.

Rev. R. H. Harper, of LaGrange, was the first to speak. He said:

"Brethren, as I grow older, I see myself more and more clearly, and, thereby, understand my frailty more fully. I've been in the ministry nearly fifty years, during which time I've baptized more than 4,000 persons, organized 22 Churches, and helped to set apart 4 Associations. I've pastored one Church forty-four years. I'm now 76 years old, and have never used spirituous liquors. All these years I've striven to abstain from any and everything which I thought would cause my brothers to stumble. I love the Sunday School and attend it regularly. God bless you, brethren."

Rev. Thomas Parker, of Warsaw, said:

"I was in the organization of the first colored Baptist Church at Wilmington, N. C., early after emancipation. I was frequently sent from that Church to assist in organizing other Churches in near-by neighborhoods and adjacent counties. I assisted in the organization of the Kenansville Eastern Association in 1869. I've done what I could during the past forty-five years to promote and advance the cause of our Christ and spread his kingdom among men. In all my struggles my wife has been a helpmete indeed."

Rev. Andrew Jackson stated that he had been in the cause for 58 years.

Dr. R. I. Walden said:

"I'm glad to be here. I've attended the Convention from time to time since 1880, and am glad to see the faith of the fathers unshaken all these years of sunshine and rain. I feel safe in the Baptist Church. It is built upon

the Rock. I feel safe in this Convention, because it has connected with it men who are acquainted with God. We have cause to be proud of the Convention—proud of its humble beginning, proud of its conflicts, proud of its progress and of the hopes before it. God bless you."

Dr. C. S. Brown said:

"Brethren, as we look over the Convention today we behold many evidences of progress. It has grown steadily; grown from a small, almost insignificant beginning, with a few poorly prepared men and ministers to hundreds of well prepared and well equipped men and pastors, from a few poorly constructed houses of worship, to scores of well appointed church edifices. Our Convention represents all that is great and good in the race. I came into the Convention quite a generation ago, and have been at work ever since I entered it. I'm not tired, brethren, but feel willing to consecrate more and more of myself to the work."

Rev. J. M. Taylor said:

"I came into the Convention in the year 1887. Have assisted in organizing a number of Churches and in setting apart one Association."

Dr. A. B. Vincent asked that Rev. T. H. Burwell, N. B. Dunham and Thomas Sharpe say a word. These brethren complied.

Rev. A Cooper addressed some very fervent remarks to the Convention.

"A Light in the Valley" was sung with enthusiasm.

After a voluntary offering amounting to $17.27 was handed in for Revs. R. H. Harper, T. Parker and A. J. Jackson, benediction was had by Rev. N. B. Dunham.

## WEDNESDAY—AFTERNOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Revs. W. A. Jones and J. B. Howell. The minutes of the forenoon session were read and approved. The Corresponding Secretary announced the receipt of a letter from Rev. G. W. Watkins, pastor Friendship Baptist Church, Charlotte. The letter contained a contribution from his Church. It is needless to say both were appreciated by the brethren.

Vice-President Moore occupying the chair, presented President Pegues, who proceeded to deliver his annual addres to the Convention. The address was well con-

ceived and delivered with fluency and ease. A committee, by motion, was appointed to consider it.

The Corresponding Secretary read his annual report to the Convention. The report was ladened with valuable information—replete with animating suggestions and inspiring thought.

By motion the Convention received the report with a vote of thanks. The thanks of the Convention, by vote, was tendered the President for his able and apropos address.

Dr. E. M. Brawley, pastor of White Rock Baptist Church of Durham, was presented to the Convention to discuss "Evangelism — How Best Promoted." The discourse was indeed masterful. It was a splendid effort by a ripe scholar and a profound Bible student.

After remarks by the President, Dr. P. S. Lewis pronounced benediction.

## WEDNESDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Rev. W. S. Creecy led in the opening exercises of the evening session. A number of the brethren entered right heartily into the song and praise service, which was continued for some twenty-five minutes. The Committee on President's Address submitted its report through its chairman, Dr. F. S. Hargrave. The report was adopted.

Rev. J. S. Brown, pastor Providence Baptist Church, Rockingham, N. C., was presented to the Convention to preach the Introductory Sermon. A beautiful selection was rendered by the choir. Rev. C. E. Askew lined "Holy, holy holy," etc., which the choir also sang, after which he offered fervent prayer. "How Firm a Foundation" was sung. With the foregoing preliminaries concluded, Rev. Brown arose and announed as his text John 17th chapter and 15th verse. "I pray not that thou shouldest take them out of the world, but that thou shouldest keep them from the evil." With little of exordium, but with a measure of exergetical dictum, the speaker proceeded to preach a sermon, which, in conception, was happy; in construction, thoughtful, and in delivery fluent and eloquent. It was, indeed, an able effort. At the conclusion of the sermon, Dr. C. F. Meserve, President of Shaw University, was presented. He made a short address, after which an offering amouting to $150.00 was made to the Theological Department of Shaw University. Benediction by Rev M. A. Talley.

## THURSDAY—MORNING SESSION.

Praise service was conducted by Revs. Thomas Sharpe and A. A. Morrisey. This service continued for thirty minutes, and was participated in by a number of the brethren, Vice-President C. T. Underwood, presiding. The minutes of the previous afternoon and evening sessions were read and approved.

"How I Raise Mission Money." This subject was to be discussed by Rev. G. W. Watkins. In his absence, Rev. A. S. Croom was asked to present the subject. He did so in a manner complimentary to himself and to the delight of his auditors. Dr. G. O. Bullock also ably discussed the same subject.

Dr. I. M. Mercer, pastor of the First Baptist Church (white) of Rocky Mount, Dr. C. S. Blackwell (white), of Norfolk, Va., and Rev. N. H. Shepard, pastor of the Arlington Baptist Church (white) of Rocky Rount, were brought forward by Dr. C. F. Meserve and presented to the Convention. Upon being introduced, each of these distinguished divines delivered short, but helpful addresses to the Convention.

Pending a motion to extend to our visiting brethren a rising vote of thanks for their inspiring addresses, remarks were submitted by Drs. Spiller, Brown, Smith, Vass and Meserve.

The Committee on Re-organization submitted its report, which was adopted.

After some thoughtful, helpful remarks by the President, the Convention stood adjourned, with benediction by Dr. A. B. Vincent.

## THURSDAY—AFTENOON SESSION.

Devotional exercises were conducted by Revs. W. A. Roberts and D. J. Emerson. Prayer was offered by Rev. O. C. McMillan. Minutes of the forenoon session were read and approved.

Rev. C. M. Lawrence, recently appointed Missionary by the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention to labor in Africa, was introduced to the Convention. He submitted some timely and touching remarks.

Rev. W. A. Roberts, Moderator of the Ebenezer Association, made an earnest appeal to the Convention for aid for his Associational School.

Rev. O. S. Bullock, at this juncture, submitted some very timely remarks. He stated that his Church at High Point had raised during the year $55.00 for Foreign Missions, and, said he, every cent of it has been sent into the Corresponding Secretary.

Dr. R. Spiller, pastor of Central Baptist Church, Wilmington, addressed some remarks to the Convention.

Bro. B. Harper, of Essex, N. C., was introduced to the Convention.

Mrs. W. B. Williams made an appeal to the Convention for help for the Reformatory at Charlotte. $4.00 were given her

Rev. N. V. Davis was presented to the Convention.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution submitted its report, which changed the time of meeting of the Convention two weeks later. The report was adopted.

Rev. Guy C. Lawson, of Philadelphia, Missionary Secretary of the A. B. P. S., was introduced to the Convention. In the course of his address he said: "Since last April I've traveled 29,000 miles by rail. The Publication Society has always been the friend of the colored Baptists of North Carolina. They are no less such now. I pledge myself to encourage and help you, brethren, in any and in every way possible. As we have helped or as we may help you, so must you reach out and help others less fortunate than yourselves. God will help you in proportion as you give out yourself to and help others." He related a touching story of a consecrated young man, who once presented himself to go as missionary to Japan, but was told that his health was such that he could not possibly live longer than one year in that climate. He was further told perhaps if he remained at home, in this country, he might live for twenty years. But he insisted on going, saying he preferred to serve *one* year to being served *twenty*. He went, and lived and labored as missionary in Japan for 27 years. His address was helpful.

The Committee on Resolutions submitted its report, which, on motion, was adopted.

The Committee on Superannuated Ministers submitted its report. The report was adopted.

The session adjourned.

Benediction by Rev. H. Pair.

## THURSDAY—EVENING SESSION.

Praise services were conducted by Revs. S. L. Parham and C. M. Lawrence.

The hour appointed for the Missionary Sermon to begin, the choir samg most beautifully "Teach Us to Worship Thee." Rev. A. S. Croom lined hymn 233, which the choir sang. Afterwards Rev. S. T. Eldridge, pastor of Ebenezer Baptist Church, Charlotte, N. C., who had been chosen to preach the sermon, took for his text First Corinthians, 3-15, from which he preached an able, practical sermon. At the conclusion of the sermon, one verse of "Where He Leads Me," etc., was sung. Prayer was offered by Rev. Croom. Dr. Spiller asked any present who were unsaved, and desired to accept Christ and wished the prayers of christians in their behalf, to kindly indicate same. A number of persons manifested such desire by standing.

Dr. Pegues arose and stated that evangelization was the work of a christian, of a Church. and of this Convention. Dr. A. B. Vincent also submitted some fervent and helpful remarks.

Rev. C. M. Lawrence, the young Missionary-elect for Africa, delivered another short, but acceptable address, expressing his fixed purpose—his determination to spend his future life as Missionary in Africa "I rejoice that the Master has accepted and commissioned me to go as his messenger to the foreign field," he said. "When You Get to Heaven," etc., was sung. At this stage of the meeting Corresponding Secretary Brown make a pathetic appeal for African Mission funds. $35.04 were lifted.

Mrs. P. G. Shepherd, of Winston-Salem, President of the Woman's Home and Foreign Mission Convention of North Carolina, was presented and delivered a splendid address, following which $5.30 were handed her for the Orphanage at Winston-Salem, with which she is connected.

Benediction by Dr. S. H. Witherspoon.

## FRIDAY—MORNING SESSION.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Revs. A. H. Lewis and J. W. Jones. The minutes of the previous afternoon and evening sessions were read and approved. Dr. S. N. Vass presented the brethren a number of tracts, which were gratefully received.

State missions were discussed by Rev. M. G. Crumpler and Dr. A. B. Vincent. The latter spoke graphically of what had been done by the Missionaries in North Carolina. He also pointed out some of the present urgent needs of the cause in the State. He referred briefly to some of the young men in the State who are doing acceptable work. Rev. D. J. Avera and Dr. G. W. Moore also submitted timely remarks upon the same subject.

Dr. W. M. Alexander, Corresponding Secretary of the Lott Carey Home and Foreign Mission Convention, was presented and proceeded to address the Convention on North Carolina Baptists and Foreign Missions. He stated that four of the six missionaries laboring in Africa under appointment of the Lott Carey Convention were from this State, viz: Rev. J. O. Hayes, Dr. C. C. Boone, Rev. and Mrs. W. H. Thomas. He also stated that the Lott Carey Convention had raised during the past 17 years more than $45,000.00 with which to prosecute its foreign mission work, and that quite half of the amount was raised in North Carolina. He said 35,000 persons had been baptised by our Missionaries in Africa. "And now," said he, "$2,800 have been pledged to carry forward our work in foreign fields during the present year. I feel sure, brethren, that North Carolina Baptists will do their part."

Helpful remarks were made by Drs. R. Spiller, E. E. Smith, C. S. Brown, A. B. Vincent, and Revs. B. Harper, J. H. Martin, W. E. Lee.

Benediction by Rev. W. P. Watson.

## FRIDAY—EVENING SESSION.

The praise services of the concluding session of the Convention were lead by Revs. P. J. Vann and J. C. Williams. These services were entered into quite heartily by many of the brethren.

"Co-operative Christian Service Essential to Success" was announced as the subject from which Rev. J. L. S. Holloman preached a strong sermon, using as his text Judges 7:15, 16, 17. At the conclusion of the thoughtful sermon the choir most delightfully discoursed a beautiful anthem.

Rev. Lawrence again addressed the Convention, after which a collection amounting to $11.00 was taken.

Resolutions on hospitality by Dr. Vincent were read and adopted.

The Committee on the Theological Department of Shaw University made its report, which was adopted.

It was decided to have a cut of Saint James Church edifice made and run through our Convention organ, "The Search Light."

Report of Committee on Conventional Journal was made and adopted.

The Finance Committee submitted its report, which was adopted.

The Convention adjourned to meet with the First Baptist Church at Hamlet, N. C. Tuesday evening after the second Sunday in November, 1914.

A. W. PEGUES, President.

E. E. SMITH, Secretary.

# APPENDIX

## Annual Address of the President

To the Ministers, Delegates and Brethren of the Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention of North Carolina, Greeting:

Under the benign and merciful providence of our Heavenly Father, we are permitted to meet in this our Forty-sixth Annual Session. It seems But yesterday, when few brothers, full of zeal and with courage to do and to dare, called a meeting to organize this body, which has lived forty-six years, and which during these years has served as a center of life and light and influence, around which the workers of the State have rallied, and from which has steadily gone forth impulses and influences that have kept the banner of the Master to the front.

In accordance with our plans decided upon last year, a series of conferences were arranged by the Corresponding Secretary during the Summer. These conferences were held in a large number of the cities and towns of the State. They were purely missionary in character and the subjects discussed. The purpose of the meetings were to awaken the Ministers and Churches to a more practical and comprehensive sense of their duty to the cause of the Master and of their responsibilities as agents of the Master's calling. It was very gratifying indeed to see how cordially and earnestly our brethren everywhere fell in line and co-operated with the movement. They supported the conferences with both their presence and their means. We firmly believe it was the most practical and effective undertaking ever set on foot by the Convention. The meeting established among other things the fact that we have in this State as earnest and as faithful and as consecrated ministers as will be found anywhere. The vast majority of them are willing to give their influence to any movement when they believe it is undertaken in the name of the Master and for the development and uplift of his kingdom in the world.

Our greatest weakness is a lack of understanding among ourselves. This condition is not due to personal ill-will or hostility, but to the fact that we do not know each other. We do not come in personal contact. There is not enough of the hand-shaking, of the face to face and heart to heart talks among us. We are strangers, and have to be introduced nearly every time we meet. It often happens that we know more about them and are on more easy and friendly terms with men of other Churches than with the brethren of our own denominational kith and kin.

That there may be more amity and ministerial courtesy in our ranks, it has been thought well by many to have an organization in which ministers alone will meet to talk over in an informal way things that vitally concern the ministers themselves in their work as pastors and ambassadors of the Great King; in their relations and interrelations with each other; how they may best help, protect and support each other in their various fields of labor. Ministers are the earthly captains of the Lord's host. If the captains are at variance among themselves, how can the army, the rank and file, hope to succeed? In their specific calling and work the ministers of the gospel certainly constitute a class by themselves. If the ministers of our Church get together and understand each other and stand together, no power can prevent their taking this State and the world for Christ.

A Baptist minister must needs be an aggressive and progressive preacher. What is known as the great commission of the Scripture, is great because it is world-wide in application. Some ministers keep their armies standing still and marking time. They give vivid descriptions of the beulah land, of the heavenly feasts and the glories of the home beyond the skies. Their whole sermon is an exhortation to hold the fort, stand still and await the coming of the Lord, hold fast to what you have. They never give orders to advance upon the enemie's lines; they never order that his ramparts be scaled and to move through valleys and over hills, through floods and flames, till the hosts of the devil are utterly routed and destroyed and the kingdoms of the world become the kingdom of our Lord and his Christ. This brings us to the primary purpose of the Church organization. According to the Scripture, the first and foremost business of a Church is that of evangelization. All other work is secondary. The chief business of the Church is to see that the gospel is

preached, to see that it is preached faithfully everywhere and to everybody. Other things can be taken up and given attention as the mission of preaching is fulfilled. But nothing, however important it may oppear to us, is ever to be undertaken at the expense of preaching and spreading the gospel. A Baptist Church has no more right to neglect evangelization—the preaching of the gosgol—for other undertakings—than another body of christians has to substitute something else for baptism.

Unfortunately, I am afraid many of our chruches and religious organizations have been led away from this primary duty of the Church into other things; things which are helpful and important in themselves, but things which should never be substituted for the one great and all important object of the Church: The spread of the Gospel. I am creditably informed that in some Churches the congregations scarcely hear anything about missions and the work of world evevgelization from one year's end to another. Some times it is a new church-house they are building or repairing, and, of course, while that is going on, missionary objects find no place in the religious program of the services. Some times it is a school they are trying to establish. Then all of the resources of the Churches are turned away from the great commission, while the powers of both preachers and churches are requisitioned in behalf of the educational enterprise.

Brethren, I am an educator by life-long training and inclination, but I do not believe that education was ever intended to take the place of or even cripple, the efforts of the Church to preach the gospel and save the souls of men. In some of our Associations, for three long days, you scarcely hear the subject mission or evangelization mentioned. The whole effort and energy of everybody is turned to and bent upon some school project.

I would not dampen your educational enthusiasm. You are not giving too much nor doing too much for education; but, my brother, I do want to call your attention to your woeful neglect of the great commission your God and Father has given you to preach an aggressive gospel, a reaching gospel, a strong-armed spiritual gospel that has for its object the encircling of the world; whose object it is to give every man everywhere an opportunity to hear of the meek and lowly lamb and of his mission to the world to save every creature. Every minister's heart should be on fire with the zeal and determnation to

send forth the truth that makes men free, till it covers the earth as the waters do the great deep.

It is barely possible that some associations and other religious bodies do not prosper and that some ministers have it hard in their respective fields of labor because they have left the old landmark. It may be well that they seek again the old paths, the good way, and walk therein.

This brings us a step further to the responsibility of the pastor in the proper development of the Church. The promises of God are to the true and tried, not the pharisaical witnesses. The minister is the rightful leader of the flock. He may have laymen in his Church who are wise, spiritual and well meaning, but he cannot shift his responsibility upon them. He ought to have a consciousness and feeling that woe is me if I preach not the gospel. And he ought to feel that unless he preaches with faith, entuhusiasm and zeal, a part of the world, at least, will not be saved. The pulpit is no place for a selfish, vainglorious man—a man who seeks to keep himself in the lime-light and make for himself a name. Christ said, "I, if I be lifted up, will draw all men unto me." Ministers, like other men, ought to have homes, and as comfortable homes as they can afford. But money-getting ought not to be the cause of his efforts and the object of his life. Ministers are paid salaries like men in other professions. And as other men, he ought to use so much of his salary as may be necessary to foster the work in which he is engaged. I know our salaries for the most part are small, but let us remember we are servants of the Lord, and of a Lord who will provide. Some pastors are so close and self-interested that they will not spend three or four dollars a year to go to an Association or Convention to help lay plans for the promotion of the cause they profess to love. You never see them at a meeting unless some Church or other organization pay their way. Yet, they say they are willing to die for their Lord. Brethren, the Master's kingdom is suffering today not for want of men who are willing to die for it, but for men who are willing to live and make sacrifices for it.

Is it to be wondered at that some men fail to prosper and finally lose influence in their fields of work? It is as true now as when Christ was here, that if the men to whom it was given the kingdom to develop fail to measure up to their opportunities, hide their talents in napkins and

fail to make good, the good Master will take from them their inheritance and give it to others.

This brings another thought. The Gospel must be preached—not with itching ears; not that one may receive the praises of men. The gospel in its purity, in all of its fullness and breadth must be preached. To everyone who observes closely it must be evident that the greatest need of our Church membership, as a whole, is a genuine vitalizing religion. They have religion, plenty of it. But, in too many cases, it is not the kind that makes a new man; it is not the kind that radically changes his manner of life and living—that fills him with new hopes and yearning and aspirations—that lifts him upon higher grounds and causes him to despise sin and its evil, and to thirst for things that are noble and Godly. We should see to it that if we add only one person to our Church during the year, that he be a real addition, and not a detraction.

After all, sin leads to hell. Hell is the product of sin. If there were no sin, there would be no hell. Therefore, religion that cannot keep man from going into sin, cannot keep him from hell.

One of the great needs of our Conveniton and the Churches is a better, more far-reaching, more vigorous and better equipped Thelogical Department at Shaw University. Men must be called to preach, and they must also be trained to preach. It seems that in this day of intense development and progress it would be superfluous to plead for a trained ministry. The Baptists of the State must take hold of the Theological Department of Shaw. As I said a while ago, the Lord has made us stewards of his kingdom. The work has been turned over to us by him. We have accepted the trust. It is ours to do what will quickest and most completely bring the world to Him. If the ministers themselves and the Churches are not interested in it, who will be? Who can we expect to be? We ought to decide at this Convention to put up the much needed building. Many have already pledged and given for the building. What is lacking ought to be given and pledged here. I am sure the Home Mission Society and the administration of Shaw University are deeply interested in the development of the Theological Department, and are ready and anxious to do what they can to make the department what it can be and what it ought to be. I most strongly recommend that in co-operation with the

American Baptist Home Mission Society and the school itself, we, this Convention, undertake at once to raise the money to put up the building they so much need.

In order that the relation between the Theological Department of Shaw Uuniversity and the Convention may be closer and the interest of the Convention in the department increased, I would recommend that with the approval of the school authorities, an *Advisory Committee* of six be appointed by the Convention to confer with the administration and the trustees, if need be, as to the management of the department. If appointed, I would suggest that the committee be so divided and appointed that the terms of two of them will expire each year, thus leaving two to be appointed by each annual Convention.

The condition of our superanuated ministers needs and deserves our most earnest consideration at this sitting of the Convention. We should form some practical plan of systematically raising money for their assistance. With no appreciable drain upon our efforts, we can certainly get together enough money to keep from want and suffering our old fathers who have faithfully borne the heat and burden of their day and who are practically worn out in the service, and now find themselves without fields of labor and support.

I would suggest that a committee be appointed to formulate some plan of raising money for the purpose mentioned above.

Another very pressing need of our denomination is a State paper. In this busy, hustling age of ours, we just cannot succeed in our work without a wide-awake paper, thoroughly identified and in sympathy with our efforts; a paper whose columns and make-up will be expressive of the thought and purpose of the Convention. We need a paper that is readable, intelligent, informing in its matter, and, at the same time, deeply spiritual; a paper that will be the very life of our Missionary and Educational undertakings; a paper that will be for the people and the churches—for all the churches; a paper that will be the organ of the churches and pastors and people. We, at this juncture, do not need a paper whose purpose is to boost individuals and keep them in the lime-light. We need a paper that will boost the churches and the cause of the Master.

I would also recommend that a committee be appoint-

ed to look into the feasibility of such a paper, and to make recommendations in the premises.

I have not made special mention of State and Foreign Missions, as such. At the same time I have tried to make this whole paper a paper setting forth the idea and necessity of missions. I believe there can be no gospel preaching without preaching missions. Every preacher true to his calling is a missionary preacher. If one does not bring before his people and emphasize the importance of missions, he does very little preaching. The Corresponding Secretary will bring to your attention the condition of the home and foreign fields and what we have contributed to them.

Now, in conclusion, brethren, let me again call your attention to the fact that we are the ambassadors of Christ. He is looking to us to reconcile the world to God, his father and yours. When we vowed to Him that we loved Him, he believed it and acted upon it. It was because of the love we declared for Him that he entrusted this great commission to us. If we fail Him, to whom can He look and upon whom can He depend? I appeal to you to-day as your humble brother, who has worked by your side, and, who along with you have felt the touch of the Master's love and heard his call. I appeal to you, and I believe I appeal not in vain: I appeal to you to lay yourselves without reservation and without selfish aims; that you live near the cross and lift up to the world Jesus our Savior that all who will may look to Him and live. Amen.

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## Annual Report of C. S. Brown, Corresponding Secretary.

MR. PRESIDENT AND BRETHREN: Today twelve months ago in the city of High Point, we, as representatives of the great Baptist brotherhood of North Carolina, stood upon the mount of inspiration, and, greatly moved with gratitue for past favors, and fired with hopefulness for the future, there resolved under God to undertake during the ensuing year larger things for the extension of the Redeemer's kingdom among men. This resolution took definite form as follows:

I. That we will strive earnesly to effect a more thorough organization among our leaders and churches of

the State, to the end that the churches will be brought into closer touch with the Convention's work.

2. That we will adopt and establish a systematic method of contributing to the support of the various objects set forth in our constitution, in order that sufficient money might be gathered regularly to execute the work before us with promptness.

3. That we would appeal to the churches to raise during the year six thousand dollars on the budget plan to be distributed as represented in our appeal.

While we may not have reached the high mark of our expectation, yet, as your secretary, I rejoice to assure you that we have made substantial advancement over the work of previous years. In fact, I believe that we are entering on a new era of missionary activity and service, which will steadily unfold until in full strength our forces will be marshalled into the King's service. There seems to be among the brethren everywhere a growing confidence in the work of the Convention and a willingness to co-operate for the good of the denomination. We are greatly indebted to our local workers and pastors in every section for the ready help given us to keep the work of the Convention before the people. Our knowledge of the field has been greatly enlarged during the year, as well as our acquaintance with the brethren—all of which make for the good of our great cause.

## THE HOME FIELD SURVEYED.

To become more familiar with Baptist conditions on the local field, I have gone into every part of the State, preached and lectured in the churches, and conversed freely and frankly with the pastors, and rejoice to report to-day wonderful progress everywhere in Baptist circles.

The State naturally divides itself into three great sections: (1) The Tidewater, or Eastern; (2) The Piedmont, or Central; (3) the Mountain, or Western; which is also a convenient divison for observation of our field work.

In the Tidewater or Eastern section, Baptists are most numerous, having the following organizations: The Roanoke, the West-Roanoke, the Neuse River, the Old Eastern, the Bear Creek, the Middle (Martin County), the Middle District, the Western Union, the New Bern District, the Kenansville, the Trent River, and Oak Grove, and the Beulah Associations, which contain fully one-half of the Baptists of the

entire State. But few localities in this section can be found without a Baptist Church. In this section we have 503 ordained preachers, 504 churches, and 65,866 members. These Associations own and support the following high schools: Roanoke Institute at Elizabeth City, the Albemarle Training School at Edenton, Middle Swamp Academy in Gates, Waters Institute at Winton, Bertie Academy at Windsor, Rich Square Academy at Rich Square, Garysburg High School at Garysburg, Neuse River Academy at Weldon, Tar River Academy at Greenville, McDaniel Academy at Kinston, Atlantic Institute at James City, Trent River Academy at Jacksonville, Faison High School at Faison, and Burgaw High School at Burgaw—14 in all. A statistical report of these schools will be given further on in this report. Unfortunately, all the Associations of this section do not see the importance of allying themselves with our Convention, but seem to feel that another Convention is necessary. We do not need two Conventions in North Carolina. The glory of any State is best reflected in the unity of the brotherhood.

Covering the Piedmont section, we find these Association: The Johnson, the Wake, the Shiloh (original), the Reedy Creek, the New Hope, the Union, the Pee Dee, the Pee Dee Union, the Lumber River, the Lane's Creek, the Hammond's Creek, the Brunswick, the Zion, the Rowan, the High Point, the Yadkin, the Yadkin and Philadelphia, the Cedar Grove, the East-Cedar Grove, the Middle and the Gold Hill. These bodies are not so strong as the Eastern Associations', but they have some very able and progressive leaders. In these Associations we have 610 ordained ministers, 650 churches, and a total membership of 62,000.

These Associations own and support the following schools: The Johnston High School, Essex High School, Hodges Institute, Thompson Institute, Pee Dee Academy at Hamlet, Zion Academy at Wadesboro, Whitney Industrial School at Whitney. In this section we find a number of points that need Baptist churches, and we have many weak churches that need strengthening. State Mission money is badly needed for this work. Our eyes should be open to such calls.

The Western or mountain section is by far the less fruitful in Baptist communicants. In this section we find the Rowan Association penetrating its eastern borders, and exerting a great influence for good. The Yadkin and Catawba, the Ebenezer, the Bethany, the Mount Peace, the Mud Creek, the Swananoa, and the Waynesville Associations are found.

There may be several other Associations existing whose names are not given. We have found it almost impossible to get in touch with our brethren in the extreme west. The churches generally are very small in numbers, and can hardly support their pastors. Several attempts were made to establish a Baptist Academy beyond the mountains, but with no success. There is, however, a very good school at Ruthefordton, known as the Western Union Academy, which is destined to do great good. The brethren of this section need help badly. There are many flourishing towns in this section without Baptist churches in them. The school at Rutherfordton should receive help from our Convention.

To stimulate additional interest in our work, and to bring our brethren closer together, we undertook

A STATE-WIDE MISSION CAMPAIGN.

Thirty places were selected as rallying points, and posters were gotten out announcing the meetings, and the pastors at the points designated were asked to work up the meetings. The touring party was made up of Dr. C. S. Morris, of Norfolk; Dr. A. W. Pegues, President of the State Convention; Dr. A. M. Moore, President of the State Sunday School Convention, and Rev. M. A. Talley, (whose Church is under a heavy strain to erect a handsome sixteen thousand dollar building, still, gave for missions one hundred dollars), and your secretary. This movement proved to be very popular, and everywhere the greatest interest was shown in our coming. Unfortunately, Dr. Morris, who had been advertised as our chief speaker, met with a painful accident, which interferred greatly with our plans: yet, the campaign proved decidedly helpful and inspiring. At each point we planned to hold two meetings —one in the afternoon, known as the workers' conference, and a great mass meeting at night. With the assistance of the brethren named, the program was carried our to completion, excepting the presence of Dr. Morris. He was with us but five days. We are deeply indebted to the noble pastors, who, at each point labored hard and unselfishly to make the campaigna success. We would be glad if space would permit to mention each by name. Considering the providential hindrances, the tour was a splendid success, and should be continued. We must, in all our future plans to do mission work in the State, recognize the pastors and consult them.

They wish to be considered capable of collecting missionary money from their churches; they must be made to feel that they are just as much a part of this Convention as the officers themselves. It is their work, made binding upon them by virtue of their position.

Brethren, there is yet great room for improvement. Two things operate seriously against substantial progress among us as Baptists: (1) Ignorance, and (2) the lack of high christian culture among us as leaders. Our peculiar form of church government is adapted to intelligent people, who can appreciate the dignity and responsibility of self-government, and who know how to respect constituted authority for the good of a great common cause. Hence, it is very important that we see to it that the people are given the very best opportunity to get christian education; and, above everything else, we should see to it that our young ministers are given the very best opportunity to qualify themselves for leadership. Many of our pastors cannot be induced to co-operate with us in a definite and systematic way because they are incapable of realizing the advantages of methodical co-operative work, in consequence of deficient training. We must make leaders for our denomination. Division among us is the result of ignorance, selfishness, and a morbid ambition. We want and must have a united ministry, a united people, and one great Convention of Baptists in North Carolina. To aim at and tolerate anything short of this will mean weakness, strife, and denominational paralysis, and finally ruin to the cause that we should love better than life itself.

## QUALIFIED LEADERS A NECESSITY.

We have not yet emphasized ministerial education as we should have done. We have over a thousand churches that must be supplied constantly with trained leaders. Many of these churches are calling for men—men of brains, of culture, of character—and they will be satisfied with none others. To meet this demand, Shaw University is now directing attention, and has in course of erection a new theological building. We should rally to the appeal for means with which to erect this edifice, and in addition to this, we should assume the support and control of this department. We are able to do this, and we should not hesitate to do so.

To help these pastors who cannot go off to school, Dr. E. M. Brawley has opened a splendid correspondence school at Durham, and arranged a course of study which if pursued will greatly help any pastor. Dr. Brawley is a great leader and a learned divine. We commend his work to the pastors of the State.

We ought not to close this Convention without taking some definite action regarding ministerial education.

## THE FOREIGN MISSION WORK.

As to foreign missions, I need only to add that we are increasing in our contributions, as our report will show; but, the demands are also increasing. We are pledged to aid in the payment of the salaries of Rev. J. O. Hayes, Rev. J. D. Gale, Rev. Dr. C. C. Boone, Rev. W. H. Thomas and Mrs. Thomas in Liberia, and Rev. Mdodonna in South Africa. To insure the prompt payment of these obligations we need to raise as our pro rata part at least fifteen hundred dollars a year, or about four hundred each quarter. Then our missionaries must have houses to live in, and chapels to preach in. One cent a month from each member of our churches in this State would give us an overflowing treasury. Let me beg you to keep foreign missions before your churches; for when missionaries go hungry for the lack of means, the condemnation and disgrace fall upon us. They have gone into heathen lands depending largely on us for support.

## RECOMMENDATIONS.

1. Let us continue the budget plan, and ask our churches for ten thousand dollars during the coming year, and request individual churches to pay certain definite sums to raise this amount.

2. Let us endorse the one-penny-after-collection method of raising mission money. If faithfully carried out, we will soon have a full missionary treasury.

3. Let us continue to seek the support of the individual pastors. They have the people, and we cannot get the people unless we get them.

4. Let us continue to hold missionary conferences at convenient points in the State during the year, and solicit the co-operation of the white Baptists in this plan. It is a

splendid way to reach the people, both white and colored.

5. Let us magnify the services of our local missionary agents and missionary pastors. In this way we can train an army of reliable workers scattered throughout the State to keep before the people the great work of the Convention, and cultivate among the people loyalty and devotion to the great objects before us. The "old fashion missionary plan" will work no more among us.

6. Let us undertake something definite and permanent regarding ministerial education. Appoint a committee to take under advisement the support and direction of the Theological Department of Shaw University. We should have a big hand in that work.

7. The Lott Carey Convention will convene next year in Raleigh, and we should strive to make it the most notable meeting in its history. Let us keep this event in mind, and see to it that each of our churches enrolls as a contributor.

Finally, brethren, we can do but little without concentration of influence, thought and money. We must touch and agree on needful things if we would succeed. The great objects of this Convention—Home Missions, Foreign Missions, and Christian Education—hold the first claim on our charity, and as honest stewards of divine trust, we should see to it that no other shall eclipse these, or interfere with our hearty support of them.

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## Report on Newspaper.

Your committee begs leave to report that after mature deliberation it recommends that the Convention endorse and adopt as its organ *The Searchlight,* now edited and managed by Dr. A. B. Vincent.

That the Pastors of our Churches, Superintendents of our Sunday Schools, members of our churches, and friends everywhere be asked and urged to assist in securing subscribers, and thus broaden its circulation; and, thereby widen its influence and usefulness.

Your committee also expresses the hope that *The Searchlight* may receive such encouragement that will warrant its issuance oftener than a monthly journal.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

**Report of Committee on Theological Department of Shaw University,**

We recommend the appointment by the Convention of a *Commission*, consisting of six ministers, members of the Convention, known to be advocates of an educational ministry and in full accord and sympathy with Shaw University.

Said Commission shall have power to speak for the Convention in matters concerning the Theological Department of Shaw University. It shall act in consonance with the President of the University in all matters and methods having for their aim the development of the said department.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

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## Financial Report

We find it very difficult to give an accurate account of all moneys collected during the year. We do not give through a regular channel, so the Secretary is left to get the figures as best he can. The collecting agents ought to furnish us with an exact report of all collections from the churches and associations not later than the 15th of October, and then we would be able to give every church and association due credit for all moneys sent in for various objects. Owing to this fact, the following report is far from being accurate, and does not show up all the money that has been contributed for missions.

**Account with Rev. J. J. Worlds, Treasurer, Raleigh, N. C.**
**1912-1913**

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| 1912 | | |
| Nov. 1. | Brought forward from previous year | $ 20.36 |
| " | Cash deposit | 619.50 |
| " | " " | 629.17 |
| | Total | $1,269.03 |

**Expenditures:**

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|---|---|---|
| Nov. 1. | A. W. Pegues, traveling expenses, etc. | $30.00 |
| " | S. N. Vass, A. B. Publication Society | 25.00 |

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| Nov. 1. | M. A. Talley, back salary | $25.00 |
| " | O. J. Allen, service and printing | 7.00 |
| " | M. A. Talley, reporter | 6.00 |
| " | C. S. Morris, traveling | 15.00 |
| " | D. J. Avera, service | 5.00 |
| " | H. M. Ellis traveling | 4.60 |
| " | A. B. Vincent, back salary | 25.00 |
| " | G. O. Bullock, traveling | 4.40 |
| " | B. B. Hill, salary | 25.00 |
| " | J. J. Worlds, traveling expenses | 3.90 |
| " | E. E. Smith, R. S., service | 25.00 |
| " | Sexton High Point Baptist Church | 5.00 |
| " | C. E. Askew, traveling expenses | 4.30 |
| " | G. A. Mial, traveling expenses | 5.00 |
| " | C. H. Watson, for Reformatory | 11.28 |
| " | Rev. S. Ton Williams, Haytian Mission | 13.00 |
| " | Winston-Salem Orphanage | 17.14 |
| " | Theological Department, Shaw University | 245.98 |
| " | C. H. Williamson, charity | 4.05 |
| " | W. T. H. Woodward, charity | 5.00 |
| " | Special workers | 120.36 |
| " | C. S. Brown, salary | 200.00 |
| " | C. S. Brown, office expenses | 113.46 |
| " | Miscellaneous orders | 43.76 |
| Nov. 12. | W. M. Alexander, Foreign Missions | 150.00 |
| " 15. | E. E. Smith, minutes and postage fund | 100.00 |
| Dec. 2. | C. E. Askew, uncollected check | 5.00 |
| " | W. C. Pope, uncollected check | 6.00 |
| | Total | $1,150.23 |

**Collectiods Made on Missiouary Tour.**

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|---|---|---|
| June 24, | Kinston, N. C., Rev. W. H. Bryant, pastor, | $12.50 |
| " 25, | New Bern | 6.75 |
| " 26, | Goldsboro, Rev. I. S. Riddick, pastor | 8.00 |
| " 27, | Rev. J. H. Rhoe, D. D., | 10.00 |
| " 27, | Central Church, Union Meeting | 1.50 |
| " 27, | Burgaw, Rev. L. T. Bond, pastor | 6.25 |
| " 3, | Lumberton, (Sandy Grove) | 10.00 |
| July 1, | Fayetteville, Rev. J. J. Scarlette, pastor | 26.70 |
| " 2, | Wadesboro, Rev. J. R. Faison, pastor | 18.35 |
| " 3. | Monroe, Rev. — — ———, | 10.50 |
| " 4, | Charlotte, Rev. G. W. Watkins, pastor | 3.00 |
| " 7, | Greensboro, Rev. — — ———, pastor | 10.03 |

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| July | 8, | High Point, Trinity Church, Rev. D. Robbins, pastor | $ 2.00 |
| " | 8. | High Point, First Baptist Church, Rev. O. S. Bullock, pastor | 5.60 |
| " | 8, | High Point, Mt. Vernon, Rev. J. W. Miller, pastor | 2.30 |
| " | 8, | High Point, Calvary, Rev. R. D. Wooten, pastor | 2.13 |
| " | 8, | Ridgeway, Union Meeting | 2.10 |
| " | 9, | Salisbury, Rev. A. S. Croom | 19.30 |
| " | 10, | Statesville, Rev. A. H. Lewis | 5.28 |
| " | 10, | Winston-Salem, Rev. G. O. Bullock, pastor, | 20.25 |
| " | 10, | Mrs. Thompson, Winston-Salem | 4.00 |
| " | 21, | Henderson, Rev. — — ———, | 30.13 |
| " | 22, | Oxford, Rev. G. H. Wharton, pastor | 30.52 |
| " | 23, | White Rock Church, Rev. E. N. Brawley, pastor | 30.50 |
| " | 23, | East Cedar Grove Association | 17.00 |
| " | 24, | First Baptist Church, Raleigh, Rev. C. E. Askew, pastor | 7.25 |
| " | 29, | Smithfield, Rev. A. A. Morrisey, pastor | 12.14 |
| | | Total | $315.08 |

**Collections for 1912—1913 By C. S. Brown, Corresponding Secretary.**

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|---|---|---|---|
| December | 24, | Mrs. Claudia Hall | $ 5.00 |
| " | 30, | West-Roanoke Union | 7.25 |
| " | 30, | Mt. Moriah Church | 7.29 |
| January | 8, | Shiloh Baptist Church, Whitaker's | 2.02 |
| " | 10, | New Light Baptist Church, Rev. H. Adams | 2.17 |
| " | 16, | Laurel Hill Church, Rev. N. B. Dunham | 1.00 |
| " | 19, | Rev. H. Pair | 13.90 |
| " | 20, | Dr. A. M. Moore | 25.00 |
| " | 21, | Mt. Calvary Church, Goldsboro, Rev. I. S. Riddick, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 23, | Middle District Association, Rev. I. M. Powers | 20.00 |
| " | 28, | First Baptist, Parkton, Rev. H. Adams | .65 |
| " | 28, | Mt. Hanshaw Church, H. M. Ellis | 3.56 |
| " | 28, | First Baptist, Randleman, H. M. Ellis | 2.20 |

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| February | 27, | Rev. Thomas Parker, Warsaw | $ 4.00 |
| March | 10, | First Baptist Church, Wilson, Rev. M. A. Talley (F. M.), | 25.00 |
| " | 11, | Shiloh Church, Whitaker's, Rev. I. S. Riddick | 2.00 |
| " | 11, | Oak City Church, Oak City, Rev. I. S. Riddick | 1.00 |
| " | 11, | Mt. Calvary Church, Rev. I. S. Riddick | 1.13 |
| " | 14, | Flat Swamp Church, Rev. N. B. Dunham | 1.00 |
| " | 18, | New Piney Grove, Rev. J. T. Doles | 1.05 |
| " | 22, | Nebo Chapel, Rev. J. J. Joyner, pastor | 1.50 |
| " | 22, | Parker's Grove, Rev. J. J. Joyner, pastor | 2.25 |
| " | 22, | New Haven, Rev. J. J. Joyner, pastor | 6.25 |
| " | 28, | First Baptist Church, Hickory, P. R. Gore | 2.50 |
| " | 29, | Mt. Olive Church, Bertie County, D. W. Early, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 29, | Spring Hill, Bertie County, D. W. Early, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 29, | Weeping Mary Bertie County, D. W. Early, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 29, | Indian Woods, J. J. Thompson, pastor | 2.16 |
| " | 29, | First Baptist Church, Powell's, W. D. Sessoms | 1.23 |
| " | 29, | Second Baptist Church, St. John, W. P. Sharpe | 3.41 |
| " | 29, | Mt. Moriah Church, Hertford County, C. S. Brown | 5.80 |
| " | 29, | West-Roanoke Union, C. H. Lewter, Moderator | 11.20 |
| April | 2, | Lane's Creek Union, J. F. Davis | 3.00 |
| " | 2, | Zion Union, J. F. Davis, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 7, | White Rock Church, Durham, E. M. B., pastor | 40.00 |
| May | 6, | Y. M. and W. C. A., A. L. Leak, Pres't | 1.00 |
| " | 7, | Conocanary Church, Rev. Thomas Sharpe, pastor | 3.30 |
| " | 7, | Beautiful Zion, Rev. Thos. Sharpe, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 7, | Mt. Pisgah Church, Raeford, Rev. F. D. Bandy | 5.19 |

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| May | 13, | Mr. W. H. Terry—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | $ 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. Martha Terry—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. L. B. Neal—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. Esther Hodge—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mr. Nathaniel Hodge—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| ' | 13, | Mrs. Isabella Googan—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mr. R. W. Brown—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. C. H. Jones—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. File—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. Mary Howard—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. Mary Grab—by Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 1.00 |
| " | 13, | Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 2.00 |
| June | 14, | New Piney Grove Church, Gates, J. T. Doles, pastor | 2.10 |
| | 14, | Piney Grove, Jackson, T. O. Bryant, pastor | 1.00 |
| ' | 14, | White Rock Church, Durham, Dr. Brawley, pastor | 20.00 |
| " | 28, | Neba Chapel, J. J. Joyner, pastor | 1.50 |
| " | 28, | Parker's Grove, J. J. Joyner, pastor, | 3.00 |
| " | 28, | New Haven, J. J. Joyner, pastor | 2.20 |
| " | 28, | First Baptist Church, Wilmington, J. H. Rhoe, pastor | 10.00 |
| " | 30, | First Baptist, Powellsville, W. D. Sessoms, pastor | 1.45 |
| " | 24, | Gallilee Church, S. H. Witherspoon, D. D., pastor | 3.00 |
| August | 1, | First Baptist Church, Franklinton, A. W. Pegues, D. D. | 10.00 |
| " | 1, | Miss Ada Smith, Raleigh | 5.00 |
| " | 4, | First Baptist Church, Statesville, Rev. A. H. Lewis | 5.00 |
| October | 1, | New Piney Grove, S. S., Rev. Doles, pastor | 1.95 |

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| October | 1, | New Piney Grove Church, Rev. Doles, pastor | $ 1.83 |
| " | 3, | Weeping Mary Church, D. W. Early, pastor | 2.00 |
| " | 3, | West-Roanoke Association, C. S. Brown, Moderator | 241.61 |
| " | 3, | West-Roanoke Association to Oxford Orphanage | 10.58 |
| " | 8, | Beulah Association, Rev. K. S. Jacobs, Moderator | 11.20 |
| " | 9, | Middle District Association | 17.40 |
| " | 10, | Pee Dee Association, Rev. J. J. Hines, Moderator | 31.65 |
| " | 27, | Roanoke Salem Church, Rev. J. W. Blacknall, pastor | 20.00 |
| | | Total | $621.48 |

**Paid By Churches, Organizations, and Individuals, at Lott Carey Convention.**

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|---|---|
| Woman's Union, West-Roanoke Association, Mrs. C. S. Brown, President | $ 130.00 |
| First Baptist Church, High Point, Rev. O. S. Bullock, pastor | 40.00 |
| Martin Street Baptist Church, Rev. W. D. Coleman, pastor | 8.42 |
| N. E. and C. F. Sunday School Convention, Rev. I. M. Powers | 10.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Winston-Salem, Rev. G. O. Bullock, pastor | 100.00 |
| Mt. Zion Church, Winston-Salem, Rev. R. L. File | 35.00 |
| Mt. Zion Church, Salisbury, Rev. F. R. Mason, pastor | 10.00 |
| Mt. Clair Baptist Church, Mt. Clair, Rev. J. P. Alexander | 5.00 |
| Friendship Baptist Church, Charlotte, Rev. G. W. Watkins | 25.00 |
| Zion Hill Baptist Church, M. N. Newsome, pastor | 3.00 |
| Wake County S. S. Convention, Mr. W. H. Ray | 5.00 |
| Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church, Mr. W. H. Ray | 1.50 |
| Liberty Baptist Church, Rev. C. F. Pope, pastor | 10.00 |
| Central Baptist Church, Wilmington, Dr. R. Spiller, | 10.00 |
| Wake Baptist Association, Dr. A. B. Vincent | 100.00 |
| Philadelphia Baptist Church, Shiloh (pledge) | 2.00 |

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| First Baptist Church, Raleigh, Rev. C. E. Askew and A. J. Rogers | $ 35.00 |
| Baptist State Sunday School Convention | 70.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Roxboro, Rev. A. W. Pegues, pastor | 5.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Oxford, Rev. G. D. Wharton, pastor | 5.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Rich Square, Rev. J. L. S. Holloman, pastor | 10.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Franklinton, Dr. A. W. Pegues, pastor | 10.00 |
| Union Association, Dr. E. E. Smith, Moderator | 5.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Wilson | 15.00 |
| Cedar Grove Baptist Association | 10.00 |
| White Rock Baptist Church, Durham | 20.00 |
| Annual Fees | 25.00 |
| Paid in the Women's Societies | 113.60 |
| Total | $818.52 |
| Collected by Rev. Rev. W. H. Thomas during year | 950.97 |
| Total | $1769.49 |
| Paid to Rev. W. M. Alexander, Correspond'g Sec'y | 81.15 |
| Grand Total for Foreign Missions | $1850.64 |
| Paid by Women's State Convention of N. C. | 225.00 |
| Total | $2075.64 |

**Collections for Theological Building--Shaw University**
**By Dr. N. F. Roberts, Dean**

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|---|---|
| Dr. A. M. Moore | $ 35.00 |
| Prof. J. W. Ligon | 10.00 |
| Prof. C. R. Frazier | 10.00 |
| Prof. W. S. Creecy | 5.00 |
| Rev. J. C. Saunders | 1.75 |
| A. S. Bowen | 1.00 |
| Leroy Williams | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Gertrude Thompson | 1.00 |
| Wake County Sunday School Convention | 5.00 |
| B. Y. P. Convention | 5.00 |
| Wake Baptist Association | 50.00 |
| Dr. O. S. Bullock | 5.00 |

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| Rev. J. H. Dunston | $ 10.00 |
| Neuse River Association | 25.00 |
| New Hope Association | 16.00 |
| Pee Dee Association | 43.30 |
| Dr. G. D. Griffin | 5.00 |
| Rev. A. L. Leak | 1.00 |
| Rev. W. D. Smith | 57.46 |
| John J. Evans | 5.00 |
| Lumber Association | 25.00 |
| New Hope | 50.00 |
| Rev. A. T. Price | 10.00 |
| Mrs. Phyllis Ellis | 2.00 |
| Rev. S. J. Goven | 2.00 |
| Shaw University | 32.37 |
| Rev. P. W. Moore | 5.00 |
| Dr. John E. Ford, Jacksonville, Fla | 5.00 |
| Dr. C. F. Meserve and wife | 55.00 |
| J. S. Holoman | 5.00 |
| Prof. C. F. Graves | 5.00 |
| Mrs. Anna Perry | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Lucy Thompson | 4.00 |
| Total | $ 543.88 |

## Report of Special Workers.

### REV. D. S. SAULTER'S COLLECTIONS.

| | | |
|---|---|---|
| First Baptist Church, Candor, N. C., Rev. J. E. Ellerbee, pastor | | $ 1.00 |
| Summer Hill Church, Lexington | | 3.52 |
| First Baptist Church, Keyser, N. C., Rev. A. Price, pastor | | 2.05 |
| First Baptist Church, Troy, N. C., Rev. P. C. Covington, pastor | | 4.95 |
| Providence Church, Mt. Gilead, N. C., Rev. J. E. Ellerbee, pastor | | 2.05 |
| Mt. Moriah Church, Biscoe, Rev. J. E. Ellerbee, pastor | | .60 |
| Bright Hopewell Church, Laurinburg | | .60 |
| First Baptist Church, Thomasville, Rev. J. E. Boykins, pastor | | 1.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Burlington, Rev. F. M. Davis, pastor | | .75 |
| Holly Grove Church, Rockingham, Rev. D. S. Saulter, pastor | | 4.50 |
| First Baptist Church, Reidsville, Rev. D. J. Avera, pastor | | 1.00 |
| Second Baptist Church, Reidsville, Rev. — — Mason, Pastor | | 1.00 |
| First Baptist Church, Hoffman, Rev. — — Pearce, pastor | | .20 |
| Yadkin Grove Church, Spencer | | 2.65 |
| Total amount collected, | $25.90 | |
| Total expenditures | 22.80 | |
| Balance | | $3.10 |

### REV. O. J. ALLEN'S COLLECTIONS.

| | |
|---|---|
| First Baptist Church, Asheville | $ 5.00 |

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| Shiloh Church, Shelby | | $ 5.50 |
| Shiloh Church, Shelby, for Winston Orphanage | | 1.00 |
| Washington Church, Waco, for Winston Orphanage | | 1,60 |
| Green Bethel Church, Boiling Springs | | 2.15 |
| Expenses | $7.44 | |
| To Orphanage | 2.60 | |
| Balance | | $5.25 |

COLLECTED BY REV. I. M. FLAKE.

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| First Baptist Church, Norwood, | | $ .75 |
| Mt. Pleasant Church, Norwood | | .75 |
| Yadkin and Philadelphia Convention | | 3.00 |
| Yadkin and Philadelphia Association | | 8 00 |
| Miss Lelia Kindall | | 1.00 |
| Miss Davie Davis | | .25 |
| Annual Membership Fee | | 1.00 |
| Total collected | $13.75 | |
| Total expenses | 5.75 | |

COLLECTIONS OF KEV. J. F. DAVIS,

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| Zion Association—State Missions | $24.02 |
| Zion Association—Foreign Missions | 3.65 |
| Zion Association—Western Missions | 3.75 |
| Lane's Creek Association | 5.00 |
| Piney Grove Church, Wingate | 5.05 |
| Total | $41.47 |
| Total expenses | 10.00 |

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| J. W. Mitchener, Gallilee Church | $ ,50 |

COLLECTIONS BY REV. THOMAS SHARPE.

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| West-Roanoke Association | | $11.00 |
| Expenses | $2.00 | |
| Spring Branch Church. Wagram, by Rev. G. W. Moore | | $10.00 |
| Oak Hill Church, Wagram, by Rev. G. W. Moore | | 3.65 |
| Oak Hill S. S., Wagram, by Rev. G. W. Moore | | 2.77 |
| Expenses | | 2.50 |

REPORTED BY REV. N. B. DUNHAM.

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|---|---|
| Miss Mary Simmons, Raeford | $14.00 |
| Miss Mary A. Dunham, White Oak | 1.00 |
| Deducted for services | 7.00 |
| Rev. D. J. Emerson, Cameron | $ 1.00 |

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| First Baptist Church, Wilmington, by Rev. J. H. Rhoe | $ 3.50 |
| Lake Waccamaw Church, Lake Waccamaw, by Rev. J. H. Rhoe | 1.50 |
| Rev. O. C. Mial | $ 1.50 |

COLLECTIONS OF REV. W. H. MOORE.

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| Kenansville Association | $ 5.45 |
| Shiloh Church, Wilmington | 5.10 |
| Expenses | 8.40 |

## Total Receipts for the Year.

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| By Corresponding Secretary | $ 641.48 |
| On Missionary Tour | 315.08 |
| Paid at Lott Carey Convention, 1913 | 118.52 |
| Paid to Rev. W. H, Thomas, during the year, | 950.97 |
| To Theological Department Shaw University | 543.88 |
| Paid by Woman's Convention to Mrs. Thomas | 225.00 |
| Unreported donations to Dr. W. M. Alexander | 81.15 |
| Reported by Special Workers | 157.34 |
| Total | $3733.42 |

To obtain a correct statement of the entire receipts of the year, the collections made by the Finance Committee must be added to the sum above.

## Expenditures.

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| To C. S. Brown, Corresponding Secretary, for Services | $ 200.00 |
| To C. S. Brown, Corresponding Secretary, Traveling Expenses | 160.00 |
| To C. S. Brown, Corresponding Secretary, Printing and Stationery | 38.00 |
| To C. S. Brown, Corresponeing Secretary, Postage | 46.50 |
| Telegrams, Express, etc. | 12.80 |
| To Dr. W. M. Alexander | 336.61 |
| To W. H. Thomas, Collections | 950.97 |
| To Lott Carey Convention, at Washington | 818.52 |
| To Theological Department Shaw University | 543.88 |
| To Rev. C. C. Boone, Special Gifts | 25.00 |
| To Dr. C. S. Morris, Services and Expenses | 42.00 |
| To Special Workers | 68.45 |
| To Mrs. Thomas, on Salary | 225.00 |
| Total | $3467.73 |

Respectfully submitted,

C. S. Brown,
Cerresponding Secretary.

## ASSOCIATIONAL STATISTICS 1912

| ASSOCIATIONS | Churches | Male Members | Female Members | Total Membership | Value of Ch. Property | Ordained Ministers | State Missions | Foreign Missions |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Reedy Creek | 55 | 2959 | 4912 | 7871 | $ 38 319 50 | 43 | $ 286 00 | $ 217 40 |
| Neuse River | 67 | 4109 | 6321 | 10430 | 80 999 80 | 67 | 67 45 | 45 48 |
| Shiloh | 30 | 1302 | 1767 | 3069 | 23 640 00 | 24 | | |
| Cedar Grove | 39 | | | 3972 | 38 800 50 | 36 | 88 30 | 9 67 |
| Bear Creek | 41 | | | 2049 | 3 050 00 | 35 | 5 45 | |
| Mount Peace | 30 | | | 1455 | 23 925 00 | 29 | 27 30 | |
| Ebenezer | 18 | | | 1603 | 35 600 00 | 16 | | |
| Shiloh (original) | 16 | 973 | 1446 | 2419 | 26 760 00 | 47 | 65 38 | 42 00 |
| New Hope | 43 | 1296 | 1956 | 3252 | 32 245 00 | 30 | 143 98 | 214 67 |
| Kenansville | 36 | 1350 | 2283 | 3633 | | 32 | | |
| Lanes Creek | 14 | 181 | 256 | 437 | 10 700 00 | 10 | 1 05 | 1 05 |
| New Bern | 43 | 909 | 1570 | 2479 | 23 975 00 | 44 | 14 40 | |
| Trent River | 23 | 435 | 663 | 1098 | 11 321 00 | 19 | | |
| Oakey Grove | | | | | | | 38 50 | 38 00 |
| Roanoke Miss. | 72 | 5029 | 7598 | 12627 | 160 085 00 | 74 | | |
| Johnston | 39 | 1230 | 1704 | 2934 | 25 145 14 | 35 | 181 26 | 15 91 |
| Lumber River | 37 | 1211 | 1786 | 2997 | 15 325 00 | 29 | 53 55 | 1 66 |
| Zion | 32 | 1395 | 1450 | 2845 | 30 874 00 | 37 | 104 55 | 15 12 |
| E. Cedar Grove | 33 | | | 4094 | 27 040 00 | 29 | 210 13 | 37 00 |
| Hammond's Creek | 18 | 218 | 262 | 480 | 18 420 00 | 11 | | |
| Beulah | 16 | | | 2832 | 27 800 00 | 34 | | 2 70 |
| Union Baptist | 33 | | | 2665 | 37 100 00 | 24 | 30 84 | 11 60 |
| Middle District | 54 | | | 4944 | 39 194 00 | 53 | 6 00 | 14 50 |
| Yadkin—Philadelpha | 27 | | | 1011 | 16 200 00 | 29 | | |
| West Roanoke | 61 | 6312 | 9075 | 15387 | 15 200 00 | 62 | 7 00 | 233 06 |
| Western Union | 19 | | | 1371 | 9 463 00 | 19 | 1 65 | |
| Rowan | 99 | | | 6143 | 196 910 00 | 52 | | 50 00 |
| Old Eastern | 57 | 2289 | 5636 | 7925 | 15 713 00 | 75 | | |
| Wake | 41 | 2563 | 3834 | 6397 | 167 220 00 | 35 | 147 55 | 360 63 |

**Summary: No. of Associations reviewed 28; Churches, 1,093: Total Membership, 118,419; Ordained Ministers, 1,030; Value of Church Property, $1,188,824.94. Many Associations reported only financial members; only financial ordained ministers; so the statistics are incomplete. We should be very careful about statistics. West Roanoke Association, $4,926.00.**

## Report on Resolutions.

Your Committee on Resolutions beg leave to submit the following report:

RESOLVED 1. That the Corresponding Secretary be requested to furnish each of our churches with a statistical blank form for the purpose of securing from each individual Church a correct and full report of the number of males and females composing its membership, also any other information which may be of use to the denomination in general.

*Resolved* 2. That along with such a blank form an appeal be sent urging our pastors and churches to represent in the State Convention, yearly, by the payment of the usual annual fee of Two Dollars, and that the pastors attend the annual meetings, whether they can bring more than the representation fee or not, in order to form a solid fraternal unit in our ministerial rank.

*Resolved* 3. That our State and Local Missionaries be requested to hold institutes when and wherever possible for Biblical instruction.

S. N. VASS,
W. T. COLEMAN,
S. T. ELDRIDGE,
P. S. LEWIS,
M. N. NEWSOME,
M. A. TALLEY,
R. SPILLER,
J. W. TURNER,
Committee.

### Report on Ways and Means.

Your Committee on Ways and Means recommend the appointment of a Missionary Secretary, appointed by the Boards of this Convention, to work under the direction of the Corresponding Secretary.

We approve the plan already in operation of appointing Local Conventional Workers to work in co-opperation with and under the direction of the Missionary Society, whose duties shall be that of holding missionary conferences with the pastors in their respective localities, and whose expenses shall be paid out of their collections.

We recommend the budget of $8,000 to be used as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| For Shaw University | $5,000 |
| For Superannuated Ministers | 300 |
| State Missions | 1,700 |
| Foreign Missions | 1,000 |

And that this amount be raised by an appeal made to the individual churches affiliated with this Convention, through the Corresponding Secretary, as follows:

| | |
|---|---|
| Ten Churches | $100.00 |
| Twenty Churches | 50.00 |
| Twenty-five Churches | 25.00 |
| Fifty Churches | 15.00 |

The remainder of the churches not less than ten dollars each.

Hereby submitted,

S. H. WITHERSPOON,
W. H. MOORE,
S. T. ELDRIDGE,
P. S. LEWIS,
M. A. TALLEY,
H. M. ELLIS,
C. E. ASKEW.

**Report on Superannuated Ministers.**

We, your Committee on Superannuated Ministers, beg leave to submit the following report and recommendations:

We believe that the care and support of disabled ministers should receive more attention from this Convention. However, we believe that this work can best be done by the various Associations and Ministerial Unions. We therefore recommend that each Church be asked to send up each year a contribution for this purpose; and, that each pastor urge upon his Church the necessity of contributing liberally to this fund.

FURTHER, That the Ministerial Unions throughout the State create a sinking fund in their treasuries for this purpose and to which each pastor should liberally contribute.

C. T. UNDERWOOD,
C. E. ASKEW,
J. W. LIGON.

### Report on President's Address.

We, your Committee on President's Address, wish to make the following report:

We recommend that the Address be published in our denominational papers, and spread upon the face of the minutes of the Convention. We endorse the address in its entirety and wish to make special reference to the following recommended therein.

We recommend that a committee be appointed by the President of the Convention to confer with the President and Trustees of Shaw University with the idea in view of assuming as far as possible the crontrol and responsibility of the Theological Department of said University.

We further recommend that this Convention appoint a board of three to raise a fund for Superannuated Ministers; and, furthermore, that each and every Church in North Carolina be urged to give one dollar annually for said purpose.

Dr. A. M. Moore,
Dr. R. I. Walden,
S. W. Justus,
Dr. W. H. Moore,
Rev. N. A. Cheek,
T. J. Edwards,
F. S. Hargrave,
Committee.

### Report of Committee on Place,

We, your committee on Place, submit the following report:

After considering all applications made, we decided that the next session of the Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention will convene with the First Baptist Church of Hamlet, Rev. J. J. Hines, pastor.

Yours submitted,

I. M. Powers,
Thomas Shape,
K. S. Jacobs,
T. H. Burwell,
H. M. Ellis,
A. A. Smith,
J. W. Turner,
A. Cooper,
A. T. Price,
S. H. Crow,
Jno. W. Jones,
J. J. Scarlett.

### Report on Revision of Constitution.

Article III, Section 2. Second sentence: Any Association may be represented by making a substantial contribution to the objects of the Convention, as expressed in the budget, but the individual churches of each Association are urged to represent by delegate or letter, according to the budget idea, or the payment of two dollars.

Article VIII. The Convention shall meet on Tuesday after the second Sunday in November of each year.

Respectfully submitted,

COMMITTEE.

### Collections for Shaw University.

| | |
|---|---|
| C. T. Underwood | $ 1.00 |
| R. H. Hopper | 1.00 |
| Dr. Meserve | 10.00 |
| Dr. Brown | 5.00 |
| C. E. Askew | 1.00 |
| W. H. Moore | 1.00 |
| A. S. Croom | 1.00 |
| R. I. Walden | 1.00 |
| W. J Avrea | 1.00 |
| G. O. Bullock | 1.00 |
| J. F. Davis | 1.00 |
| W. B. Dunham | 1.00 |
| O. J. Allen | 1.00 |
| J. T. Dean | 1.00 |
| H. Pair | 1.00 |
| M. A. Talley | 1.00 |
| H. Patterson | 1.00 |
| Thomas Sharpe | 1.00 |
| J. J. Scarlett | 1.00 |
| N. A. Cheek | 1.00 |
| J. D. Morrisey | 1.00 |
| J. J, Haynes | 1.00 |
| S. F. Eldridge | 1.00 |
| A. Cobb | 1.00 |
| A. T. Tuck | 1.00 |
| A. T. Price | 1.00 |
| J. S. Davis | 1.00 |
| A. T. Price | 1.00 |
| J. Z. Horton | 1.00 |
| J. S. Sills | 1.00 |

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|---|---|
| J. T. Martin | $ 1.00 |
| J. H. Ligon | 5.00 |
| A. Cooper | 1.00 |
| J. S. Brown | 1.00 |
| S. W. Justus | 1.00 |
| Dr. P. S. Lewis | 1.00 |
| J. D. Howell | 1.00 |
| D. S. Saulter | 1.00 |
| H. T. Mekel | 5.00 |
| J. H. Rhoe | 1.00 |
| Dr. H. Hargrove | 1.00 |
| Preston Sharpe | 1.00 |
| R. D. Harris | 1.00 |
| J. D. White | 1.00 |
| J. C. McMillan | 1.00 |
| T. J. Edwards | 1.00 |
| C. E. Spicey | 1.00 |
| T. H. Burrows | 1.00 |

**Theological Department Shaw University.**

| | |
|---|---|
| T. S. Eldridge | $ 1.00 |
| A. T. Tuck | 1.00 |
| D. S. Saulter | 1.00 |
| J. H. Rhoe | 1.00 |
| F. S. Hargrove | 1.00 |
| T. Sharpe | 1.00 |
| I. D. Harris | 1.00 |
| J. D. White | 1.00 |
| O. C. McMillan | 1.00 |
| T. J. Edwards | 1.00 |
| T. H. Bowen | 1.00 |
| M. W. Williams | 1.00 |
| N. G. Crumpler | 1.00 |
| K. Bryant | 1.00 |
| — — Simpson | 1.00 |
| M. N. Newsome | 1.00 |
| "Father" Jackson | 1.00 |
| Sister Martha Arrington | 1.00 |
| Sister P. G. Shepherd | .25 |
| J. J. Jones | 1.00 |
| Dr. Armstrong | .25 |
| Dr. P. W. Burnette | 1.00 |
| J. R. Block | .50 |
| — — McAntie | .50 |

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|---|---|
| S. W. Wesley | $ .50 |
| S. L. Parham | 1.00 |
| Walter Webb | .50 |

Total collection, $150.00, for the Theological Department of Shaw University.

### Public Collections.

| | |
|---|---|
| For Fathers Parker, Harper and Jackson | $ 17.27 |
| Theological Building, Shaw University | 150.00 |
| Foreign Missions | 35.04 |
| Orphanage | 5.40 |

### Annual Members.

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|---|---|
| Rev. J. W. Wood | $ 1.00 |
| Rev. S. N. Vass | 1.00 |
| Sister Isabella Battle | 1.00 |
| Rev. I. S. Riddick | 1.00 |
| Rev. I. S. Taylor, LaGrange | --- |

### Individual Gifts.

(BY CARDS)

| | |
|---|---|
| Mrs. Estella Lewis | $ 1.00 |
| Bro. W. H. Lewis | 1.51 |
| Mrs. Mollie Davis | .50 |
| Mrs. Fanny Young | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Serena Allen | .50 |
| Bro. Wm. Henderson | .40 |
| Bro. J. R. Williams | .50 |
| Mrs. Candis Burgess | .50 |
| Bro. J. J. Atson | .50 |
| Bro. Moses Kearney | .50 |
| Rev. J. S. Davis | 1.00 |
| Mrs. Leah Davis | 1.00 |
| Rev. I. S. Riddick | 1.00 |

# Constitution of the Convention.

(Revised October 30, 1913.

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**Article 1.** This Convention shall be known as "The Baptist Educational and Missionary Convention of North Carolina."

**Article 2.** It shall be the duty of this Convention to encourage and assist Shaw Univerity and other Baptist schools approved by the Convention, to educate young men called of God to the ministry and approved by the Church to which they belong, to encourage education among all the people of the State, to support the Gospel in all destitute sections of the State, to send the Gospel to Africa, to encourage the distribution and study of the Bible and sound religious literature, to assist Baptist churches in the erection of suitable houses of worship, to encourage the proper care of indigent orphan children and destitute and aged ministers of the Gospel, and to co-operate with the Lott Carey Foreign Mission Convention and other general Baptist Associations and Bodies.

**Article 3.**—Section 1. This Convention shall be composed of Baptist Associations of North Carolina, regular Baptist Churches, and all Baptist organizations of a missionary nature or character, and members of good standing in regular Baptist Churches.

Section 2. Any member may become a life member by the payment of $10, an annual member by the payment of $1. Any Association may be represented by making a substantial contribution to the objects of the Convention, as expressed in the budget, but the individual churches of each Association are urged to represent by delegate or letter, according to the budget idea, or the payment of two dollars.

**Article 4.**—Section 1. The officers of this Convention shall be a President, a Vice-President for each Association represented, a Treasurer, Recording Secretary, Assistant Recording Secretary, Statistician, Auditor, and in addition to the general boards an Executive Board of seven members shall be chosen from the Home Board, and the President, Corresponding Secretary, and Treasurer, shall be ex-officio members thereof. The Corresponding Secretary shall be secretary of said board.

Section 2. The Executive Board, in addition to its general duties, is authorized through its representative to confer with and institute plans for co-operative work in the State with the State Sunday School Convention and the Woman's Baptist State Convention, and with other existing Baptist organizations.

Section 3. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Convention, and sign all orders drawn upon the Treasurer. One of the Vice-Presidents shall perform the same duties in the absence of the President.

Section 4. The Recording Secretary shall keep a faithful record of the proceedings of the Convention and shall prepare the minutes for the press, and the Assistant Recording Secretary shall act as Secretary in the absence of the regular Secretary and assist him when present.

Section 5. The Treasurer shall hold all moneys, valuable bonds and notes belonging to the Convention, and of the Executive Boards, and shall pay out the funds on orders duly signed by the Chairman and Secretary of the Board. He shall report annually to the Convention, and also give a suitable bond.

Section 6. The Corresponding Secretary shall do the correspondence of the Convention with other organizations, make out and sign all orders on the the Treasurer, and shall report annually the general condition of the Convention work and make recommendations. He shall issue all appeals when requested by the Board, shall collect and receive contributions for all the objects of the Convention, and pay over the same to the General Treasurer within thirty days, unless otherwise directed.

Section 7. The Auditor shall, before each annual meeting of the Convention, examine carefully the receipts, disbursements, vouchers, papers and books of the Treasurer, and his certificate to the facts in the case shall be attached to the Treasurer's report.

**Article 5.**—Section 1. The Executive Board shall be located at Raleigh, and shall have charge of the work of the Convention as its executive committee.

Section 2. The Executive Board shall render annually to the Convention an accurate account of the work done, collections and disbursements during the year.

**Article 6.** All officers and missionaries of the Convention shall be members of regular Baptist churches.

**Article 7.** The officers of the Convention shall be elected annually.

**Article 8.** The Convention shall meet on Tuesday after the second Sunday in November of each year.

**Article 9.** The funds of this Convention shall be Educational, Foreign Missions, Home Missions and General. These funds shall be kept separate and distinct, and the moneys contributed to either must be applied to it. Any moneys sent up for an object approved by the Convention shall be turned over to that object.

**Article 10.** This Constitution may be changed at any regular annual meeting of the Convention by a two-thirds vote of the members present.

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## Life Members of the Convention

Rev. E. E. Smith,
Rev. F. M. Davis,
Rev. A. B. Vincent,
Rev. G. O. Bullock,
Rev. J. J. Scarlette,
Rev. W. T. H. Woodward,
Rev. R. H. Harper,
Rev. William Reid,
Rev. Thomas Parker,
Rev. O. S. Bullock.

## Report of Finance Committee—19 Associations

| ASSOCIATIONS | MODERATORS | Postoffice | Clerk | Postoffice | Representation Fee | State Missions | Foreign Missions | Ministerial Education | Orphanage | Theological Building |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Mt. Peace | R. D. Harris | Charlotte | L. W. Wertz | Charlotte | $10 00 | | | | | |
| New Hope | J. H. Dunston | Morrisville | L. H. Hackney | Chapel Hill | 20 00 | | | | | |
| Beulah | K. S. Jacobs | Rich Square | F. E. Robinson | Jackson | 8 00 | | $ 4 20 | | | |
| Middle | J. M. Taylor | Creedmoore | R. A. Wyche | Henderson | 13 00 | | 6 00 | | | |
| Lane's Creek | W. S. Waddell | Waxhaw | D. J. Evans | Monroe | 6 50 | | | | | |
| Kenansville East'rn | G. W. Moore | Raleigh | A. R. Middleton | Kenansville | 18 00 | | | | | |
| Johnston | W. M. Ellerby | Raleigh | H. R. Goodson | Clayton | 12 00 | | | | | |
| z Pender Union | T. S. Lee | Jackson Springs | Edmond Howard | Mt. Gilead | 2 50 | | | | | |
| Trent Union | T. Pearson | Jacksonville | L. M. Williams | Trenton | 10 00 | | | | | |
| West Roanoke | C. S. Brown | Winton | L. T. Bond | Windsor | 35 00 | | | | | |
| Brunswick W'amow | J. H. Rhoe | Wilmington | P. J. McKoy | Whiteville | 7 00 | | | | | |
| Hammonds Creek | S. W. Smith | Clarkton | Geo. Williams | C arkton | 5 00 | | | | | |
| Wake Baptist | J. W. Ligon | Raleigh | N. F. Roberts | Raleigh | 20 50 | | | | | |
| Union M. Baptist | E. E. Smith | Fayetteville | C. A. Cogdell | Fayetteville | 17 50 | $25 00 | | | | $43 00 |
| Middle District | H. Peterson | Kelly | W. H. Moore | Wilmington | 15 00 | | | | | |
| Pee Dee | J. J. Hines | Shannon | J. S. Brown | Rockingham | 22 00 | | | | | |
| Ebenezer | W. A. Roberts | Belmont | O. J. Allen | Shelby | | | 8 20 | | | |
| Rowan | G. O. Bullock | Winston | J. W. Hairston | Salisbury | 32 00 | | | | | |
| West Union | A. A. Smith | Mt ve | Thos. L. Boykins | Ingold | 9 00 | | | | | |

z Due $2.50 on Representation Fee.

## Report of Finance Committee—61 Churches

| CHURCHES | PASTORS | Postoffice | Clerks | Postoffice | Representation Fee | State Missions | Foreign Eissions | Ministerial Education | Orphanage | Theological Building | Building in Africa |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Salem | R. D. Harris | Charlotte | R. J. Davidson | Charlotte | $ 1 00 | $ | $ | $ | $ | $ | $ |
| First Baptist | R. I. Walden | Henderson | J. S. McKnight | Franklinton | 1 00 | | | | | 4 00 | |
| First Baptist | P. S. Lewis | Charlotte | E. Phillips | Charlotte | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | |
| Kerney's Chapel | N. A. Cheek | Elberon | W. H. Lewis | Manson | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Shiloh | " " | " | M. H. Richardson | Inez | 1 00 | | 1 00 | | | 1 17 | |
| Dickies Grove | " " | " | Jas. Clemment | Manson | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Fipps Chapel | J. H. Williams | Manson | Wm. Champan | " | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Nebo Chapel | J. J. Joyner | Woodland | Jno. Blyth | Murfresboro | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| New Haven | " | " | Moses Porter | Woodland | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| 2nd Bpts., St. John | W. P. Sharp | Harrelsville | Virgin McGlom | Aulander | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Ebenezer | G. W. Billips | Wilmington | L. A. David | Wilmington | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Mt. Moriah | J. S. Davis | Shocco | Sam. Nicholson | Louisburg | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | | | |
| Kerney S. S. Chapel | C. Young, Supt. | Manson | Miss L. Henderson | Manson | 1 00 | | 6 75 | | | | |
| Shiloh Baptist Ch. | S. L. Parham | Henderson | M. J. Harris | Henderson | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Michael Creek | " | " | B. G. Taylor | Stonewall | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| New Corinth | " | " | | Oxford | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Harshaw B. Ch. | H. M. Ellis | Lexington | J. C. Spencer | Randleman | | | 7 00 | | | | |
| First Baptist | " | " | Miss L. Kipley | Ashboro | | | 6 00 | | | | |
| Elizabeth | J. D. Massey | Charlotte | R. D. Staton | Morrisville | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Roanoke-Salem | J. W. Blacknall | Garysburg | W. T. Garris | Garysburg | 1 00 | 1 00 | 3 76 | | | | |
| Patillos Chapel | " | " | A. M. Harrison | Elams | 1 00 | 1 00 | 1 85 | | | | |
| Belford | S. W. Justus | Fayetteville | W. G. Leek | Jackson Spgs | | 1 00 | 1 00 | | | | |
| Oberlin | S.H.Witherspoon | W. Raleigh | R. L. Hunter | W. Raleigh | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Gallilee | " | " " | Wm. Solomon | Smithfield | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Nut Bush | J. M. Taylor | Creedmoore | G. W. Lewis | Henderson | 1 00 | | | | | | |
| Felps Chapel | J. C. Lone | W. Raleigh | S. M. Lucas | Youngsville | 1 00 | | | | | | |

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Shiloh | T. H. Burwell | Kittrell | R. S. Tolar | Kittrell | $ 1 00 | $ 1 00 | $ 1 00 | $ | $ | $ |
| Wakefield | A. T. Price | Raleigh | S. H. High | Zebulon | 1 00 | 1 00 | 8 00 | | 1 00 | |
| Juniper Level | " | " | Wm. Walden | Garner | 1 00 | 1 00 | 5 00 | | | |
| Poplar Springs | " | " | Arthur Little | Keyser | 1 00 | 2 00 | 5 00 | | 1 00 | |
| Pleasant Grove | " | " | Ferney Morgan | Zebulon | 1 00 | 1 00 | 2 00 | | 1 00 | |
| 1st Baptist Church | J. J. Scarlett | Fayetteville | C. A. Cogdell | Fayetteville | | | 5 00 | | | |
| 1st Baptist Church | W. D. Sessoms | Aulander | M. H. A. Riddick | Ahoskie | 1 00 | | 50 | | | |
| Springfield | J. W. Ligon | Raleigh | T. J, Sewell | | 1 00 | | 3 00 | | | |
| 1st Baptist Church | C. E. Askew | " | J. H. Young | Raleigh | 1 00 | 5 00 | 1 00 | 1 00 | | 1 00 |
| Mt. Pleasant | R. H. Harper | LaGrange | B. W. Smith | Sardston | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Gethsemane | H. Pair | Knightdale | Wesley Crudup | | 1 00 | 3 00 | 4 00 | | 1 00 | |
| Ryley Hill | " | " | Stanley Ferrell | Knightdale | 1 00 | 4 00 | 4 00 | | 1 00 | |
| St. Matthews | " | " | Moses Hunter | Raleigh | 1 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | | 1 00 | 50 |
| Malaby's x Roads | H. Pair | Knightdale | Henry Brown | Knightdale | 1 00 | 5 00 | 5 00 | | 1 00 | |
| Dixonville | A. S. Croom | Salisbury | C. H. Barton | Salisbury | 1 00 | | | | | |
| 1st B. High Point | O. S. Bullock | High Point | C. B. Hairston | High Point | 1 00 | 9 00 | | | | |
| Parson Grove | J. J. Hines | Shannon | A. Byrd | Lilesville | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Ebenezer, Charlotte | S. T. Eldridge | Charlotte | L. D. Wilson | Charlotte | 1 00 | | | | | |
| 1st B. Smithfield | A. A. Morisey | Smithfield | G. H. Smith | Smithfield | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Mt. Sinia | C. S. Harris | Greensboro | | | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Shiloh | W. H. Moore | Wilmington | H. M. Ganth | Wilmington | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Friendship, Ch'lotte | G. W- Wadkins | Charlotte | | | 1 00 | 1 00 | | | | |
| Provident | J. S. Brown | Rockingham | Daniel Skipper | Rockingham | 1 00 | | | | | |
| 1st B. Franklinton | A. W. Pegues | Raleigh | C. P. Harris | Franklinton | | | 5 00 | | | |
| 1st B. Statesville | A. H. Lewis | Statesville | Wm. Sherrill | Statesville | 1 00 | | 4 00 | 4 00 | | |
| 1st B. Reidsville | D. J. Avera | Reidsville | R. S. Graves | Reidsville | 1 00 | 2 00 | 2 00 | | 5 00 | |
| 1st Baptist Church | G. O. Bullock | Winst'n-Sa'm | P. S. Smith | Winst'n-Sa'm | 1 00 | 11 00 | | | | |
| St. John | J. H. Martin | Rocky Mt | W. L. Ligon | Rockingham | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Greensville | W. H. Knuckles | Lumberton | R. W. Thompson | Lumberton | 1 00 | 1 00 | | | | |
| Pleasant Grove | Jas. Davis | Shocco | Jno. Richerson | Essex | 1 00 | 3 25 | | | | |
| Union B. Church | E. C. Spicer | Tarboro | J. H. Daney | Tarboro | | | 5 00 | | | |
| West End | J. W. Jones | Winst'n-Sa'm | S. H. Lawson | Winst'n-Sa'm | 1 00 | 7 10 | 10 00 | | | |
| 1st Baptist Church | J. W. Turner | Durham | U. L. Mial | Clayton | 1 00 | | Due $2 | | | |
| Martin St. B. Ch | W. T. Coleman | Raleigh | | Raleigh | 1 00 | | | | | |
| Spring Garden | F. M. Davis | Wilson | | Washington | 1 00 | | | | | |

19 Associations, 61 Churches. Receipts from Finance Committee, $785.99. Receipts from all sources during the year $3,734.37. Making a grand total of $4,521.26. Foreign Mission $11.00. Total $4,532.26.

# PROCEEDINGS

of the

# Baptist Ministers Conference of North Carolina

Held in

St. James Baptist Church, Rocky Mount,
North Carolina

October 30, 1913

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Rev. S. H. Witherspoon, D. D., - - - West Raleigh
Corresponding Secretary

O. J. Allen, A. B., - - - - - - - - - - - - Shelby
Recording Secretary

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The next annual session will convene with the First Baptist Church of Hamlet, N. C., Tuesday after the second Sunday in November, 1914, at ten o'clock, a. m.

## OFFICERS

President—Rev. R. Spiller, D. D., LL. D., ..... Wilmington
Vice-President—Rev. A. A. Smith ..... Mt. Olive
Recording Secretary—Rev. O. J. Allen, A. B. ..... Shelby
Corresponding Secretary—Rev. S. H. Witherspoon, D. D., West Raleigh
Treasurer—Rev. I. M. Powers ..... Wallace

### Executive Board

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| A. L. E. Weeks | W. H. Moore | J. S. Brown |
| D. J. Emerson | D. B. Mdodana | N. F. Roberts |

| Roll of Members | Annual Fee Paid |
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| Rev. R. Spiller, Wilmington | $ .50 |
| Rev. O. C. McMillian, White Oak | .50 |
| Rev. J. W. Wood, Weldon | .50 |
| Rev. A. A. Smith, Mt. Olive | .50 |
| Rev. A. L. E. Weeks, Newbern | .50 |
| Rev. O. J. Allen, A. B., Shelby | .50 |
| Rev. W. E. Lee, Rocky Mount | .50 |
| Rev. J. W. Blacknall, Garysburg | .50 |
| Rev. H. Peterson, Kelleys | .50 |
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| Rev. D. B. Mdodana, Clayton | .50 |
| Rev. N. B. Davis, Weldon | .50 |
| Rev. M. Grant Crumpler, Fayetteville | .50 |
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| Rev. D. S. Saulters, High Point | .50 |
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| Rev. G. O. Bullock, D. D., Winston-Salem | .50 |
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| Rev. J. H. Rhoe, Wilmington | .50 |
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| Rev. A. W. Pegues, D. D., Raleigh | .50 |
| Rev. A. H. Lewis, Statesville | .50 |
| Rev. D. J. Emmerson, Sanford | .50 |
| Rev. S. H. Witherspoon, D. D., West Raleigh | .50 |
| Rev. A. B. Vincent, D. D., Raleigh | .50 |
| Total amount fees paid | $17.00 |

## PROCEEDINGS

Rocky Mount, N. C., October 30th, 1913.

Pursuant to a call the Baptist Ministers of North Carolina met in the St. James Baptist church at 4;30 p. m., on the above date for the purpose of organizing a conference.

Rev. I. M. Powers of Wallace, was made chairman of the meeting, O. J. Allen of Shelby, was made Secretary.

The Committee on Constitution submitted a report which was adopted. After some expressions from the brethren a motion prevailed to go into the election of officers. The following were elected;

President—Rev. R. D. Spiller

Vice-President—Rev. A. A. Smith

Recording Secretary—Rev. O. J. Allen

Corresponding Secretary- Rev. S. H. Witherspoon

Treasurer—Rev. I. M. Powers

Executive Board—Revs. A. L. E. Weeks, W. H- Moore, J. S. Brown, D. B. Mdodana, N. F. Roberts, D. D., J. T. Edwards, D. J. Emerson.

It being late the officers were informally installed. The Secretary called the roll and collected $12.00, which amount was turned to the Treasurer.

The President designated the Secretary to solicit among the brethren and collect annual fees before the Convention adjourned.

After some remarks from the President the Conference stood adjourned. Benediction by Dr. Spiller.

REV. R. SPILLER, President
O. J. ALLEN, Recording Secretary.

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## Report of Corresponding Secretary

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| Oct. 27, 1913.—300 circular letters | $1.50 |
| Stationery and stamps | 2.10 |
| Total | $3.60 |

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| Oct. 30th, 1913.—Annual fees | $17.00 |
| Expenses | 3.60 |
| Balance in treasurer | $13.40 |

## CONSTITUTION

Dear Brethren:—We, the Baptist Ministers of North Carolina, who are the leaders of the people and ambassadors of Christ, desiring to do all the good we can and to as many people as possible for us to reach; also in keeping with the spirit of Christ as seen in his intercessory prayer, namely: "That His people might be one," have organized a Baptist State Ministerial Conference.

This Conference is an outgrowth of a recommendation made by the President, Dr. Pegues, in his annual address to the Convention.

The Conference will meet on Tuesday and the Convention will convene the same night. It is the purpose of this Conference to be of mutual help to each other as ministers. The annual fee is 50 cents. Each minister will receive a card showing his standing as a minister in the State, and said card will be renewed annually.

At the death of a minister of this Conference each brother will be assessed 25 cents, which sum will be sent to the family of said minister within sixty days after death. This assessment will be collected by the Corresponding Secretary, who shall receive all moneys, giving receipt for same, and forward moneys to the Treasurer. He shall make an annual report to the Conference each year.

Any minister may send his annual fee anytime during the year to the Corresponding Secretary, who shall renew his card, and forward the money to the Treasurer, and send a receipt to member contributing.

It is also the purpose of this organization to aid as far as possible any aged or afflicted minister who may call or appeal to us from time to time.

1. This body shall be known as The Ministers Conference of North Carolina.

2.—Object. The object of this Conference shall be to

bring the ministers of the State in closer relation with each other and thus aid in unifying the forces of the Baptist Denomination, and be of mutual help to each other.

3.—Membership. Any minister in good and regular standing in a recognized Missionary Baptist church may become a member of this Conference.

4.—Officers. The officers of this Conference shall be President, Visce President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer, and Executive Board of seven members who shall be elected annually and perform the duties usually belonging to such offices.

5.—Time of Meeting. The annual sessions of this Conference shall be held on Tuesday preceeding the annual meeting of the Educationa! and Missionary Convention of North Carolina and at the same place.

W. A. Cobb,
W. S. Creecy,
S. H. Witherspoon,
N. F. Roberts,
J. Z. Horton,
C. S. Brown,
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